

REMARKS

In view of the Examiner's comments:

Claims 1-14, variously rejected as being unpatentable over Petroff in view of Adachi, alone or in view of Linden or Levsen, have been amended to more specifically define Applicant's invention and to more clearly distinguish it from these references of record.

As the Specification makes clear, Applicant's invention relates to the cutting into bite-size pieces of food prepared for a child in an aware-from-home eating establishment. As set out, in many of those places, the tableware service commonly is of plastic forks and knives for purposes of safety. The Specification describes the difficulty in an adult's trying to cut these various types of fast foods with these utensils. The invention contemplates an adult's carrying about of a food scissor of a metal composition, to be used in cutting the food where these plastic knives and forks are otherwise provided.

Claims 1-14 have been amended to carry these thoughts through, and in a manner to distinguish the invention from the prior art. Thus, the scissors for the cutting of such food prepared for a child is of a metal composition, and remains carried within a closed case in a shirt or blouse pocket, a purse, handbag or pocketbook -- to be stored there and not opened, until such time as the scissors are to be removed as to be utilized by an adult as an alternative to the plastic knives and forks provided by the eating establishment as the cutting utensils for the child's food.

It is respectfully submitted that none of the cited references are concerned either with the problem of cutting food prepared for a child at an eating establishment, or the solution specified in the amended claims for dealing with those problems.

Reconsideration and allowance of Claims 1-14 are respectfully requested in view of these amendments.

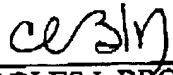
This Application is now considered to be in condition for Allowance, which action is

respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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